CHAPTER 73

H.B. No. 1083

AN ACT

relating to the effect of a bankruptcy proceeding on a durable power of attorney.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Chapter XII, Texas Probate Code, is amended by adding Section 487A to read as follows:

Sec. 487A. EFFECT OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING. After execution of a durable power of attorney, the filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition in bankruptcy in connection with the principal's debts does not revoke or terminate the agency as to the principal's attorney in fact or agent. Any act the attorney in fact or agent may undertake with respect to the principal's property is subject to the limitations and requirements of the United States Bankruptcy Code until a final determination is made in the bankruptcy proceeding.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2001.

Passed by the House on March 29, 2001, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 1, 2001: Yeas 30, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Approved May 14, 2001.

Effective September 1, 2001.

CHAPTER 74

H.B. No. 1130

AN ACT

relating to the exemption of certain educational aides from the payment of tuition and fees at institutions of higher education and to the employment of those aides.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 54.214, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsections (f) and (g) to read as follows:

- (c) To be eligible for an exemption under this section, a person must:
 - (I) be a resident of this state;
- (2) be a school employee serving in any capacity who worked as an educational aide for at least one school year during the five years preceding the term or semester for which the person receives the exemption [be certified as an educational aide by the State Board for Educator Certification];
- (3) [have at least two school years of experience as a certified educational aide working directly with students in a school district;
- [(4) be employed as a certified educational aide working directly with students in a school district during the entire term or semester for which the person receives the exemption;
 - [(5)] establish financial need as determined by coordinating board rule;
- (4) [(6)] be enrolled in *courses required* [classes necessary] for *teacher* certification [as a teacher] at the institution of higher education granting the exemption;